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Dr. Walter Lee
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Dear Dr. Lee:

As you know in June 1985 Monsanto submitted a Feasibility Study concerning the presence of low levels of 2,3,7,8-TCDD at the Nitro plant's non-hazardous waste landfill. This study found that the existing 2 ft. clay cap installed at the site was adequate to protect human health and the environment and therefore there was no need for additional remedial action. On November 19, 1985 the USEPA approved the recommendation.

This letter is to inform you that as part of Monsanto's effort to continually minimize our operation's impact on the environment, we have installed a 40 mil high density polyethylene synthetic liner covered by 16' of compacted clay over 300,000 square feet of our inactive non-hazardous waste landfill. The area covered by this new cap includes the portion of the landfill where sample results indicated the presence of dioxin.

The project has just been completed and an "as-built" report is in preparation. I will send you a copy for your review and file as soon as we receive it. I will be glad to discuss any details with you.

Sincerely,

Keith S. Miller

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